(vi) Housing Finance-II (LN 1759) (Loan Amount-US $ 40 million).

(vii) Housing Finance-II (LN 1761) (Loan Amount-US $ 80 million).

Deaths due to faulty elevators

4622. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a fatal accident on 20th March, 2003 which caused sad demise of a senior officer due to faulty operation of lift in CGO Complex, was preceded by similar fatal accident in January this year when the elevator of Minto Bridge Government flats collapsed,

(b) whether these deaths were due to negligence, poor maintenance, floating safety norms and defective elevators;

(c) whether action has been taken against persons responsible for the faults; and

(d) the measures taken to avoid recurrence of such incidents?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI PON RADHAKRISHNAN) : (a) The operation of the lift in CGO Complex where the fatal accident occurred is not under CPWD's jurisdiction. A senior technician of M/s. Bharat Bijlee Ltd., was trapped, while doing the maintenance of the lift at Minto Road flats which is under the CPWD. However, there was no passenger in it at that time.

(b) The accident at Minto Road was caused due to human error on the part of the technician and co-worker of the specialized firm who were entrusted with the job for maintenance of lifts.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Regular maintenance, through specialized firms/manufacturers, is carried out and all possible steps are taken to avoid accidents.

Shortage of potable water in Delhi

†4623. PROF. R. B. S. VARMA : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have formulated any special scheme to deal with the likely shortage of potable water in Delhi in the coming summer season;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.